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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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22/07/2009: Kostas/SV1DPI, Nikos/SV3BSF, Dimitris/SV1CIB and/Vasilis SV1DPJ will go to Kythira Island (EU-113, GIOTA INS-004, MIA MG-062 WLOTA L-1703) from late afternoon of July 22nd to July 26th. During the IOTA Contest the call will be SX8Z. Before the contest the operators will be active signing call/8. QSL for operators via bureau or direct. QSL for SX8Z via SV1DPI via direct or LotW. [SV1DPI]

23/07/2009: C6APR will be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) from the Crooked Island Lodge, Pittstown Point, Crooked island (NA-113), Bahamas, as a Multi-operator, Mixed-mode, High Power, DXpediton entry. The team is Peter/W2GJ, Ed/K3IXD, Dallas/W3PP, and Jim/K4QO. Before and after the contest (from July 23 to 27th) C6APR will be on 80m to 10m including the WARC bands, CW and SSB. The team will sign C6AXD on RTTY and C6AQO on 6m (grid FL22). The calls are good for Bird Rock Lighthouse (ARLHS BAH-005, Admiralty J 4792) as well as IOTA NA-113 and Grid Locater FL22tt. All QSLs via K3IXD, direct or by the Bureau. [K3IXD]

23/07/2009: Members of the NA-128 Contest Group will activate the special callsign CG200I (Charly Golf Two Hundred India) from Ile Verte (NA-128, CIsA QC-015, Grid FN58) between July 23-26th, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th), to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the lighthouse (ARLHS CAN-244, WLOTA 1404). Operators mentioned are Frank/VA2RC, Martin/VA2ZO, Eric/VE2EDA, Dany/VE2EBK, Jean/VE2FSK, Steve/VE2TKH, Martin/VE2MTK and Guy/VE2QRA. The group will operate many stations from the lighthouse keeper's quarters on all bands (160-6 meters) and all major modes (AO-51, SSB, CW and RTTY/PSK31). During the IOTA Contest, a station will be dedicated to the contest exclusively on SBB or CW. The QSL is via VE2CQ, direct or Bureau. Note: NA-128 is made up of more than 45 islands, rocks and smaller reefs and more than half of them are accessible for future NA-128 expeditions. [VE2EBK]

23/07/2009: Members of the Dalkey Island Contest Group plan to activate Clare island (EU-121, WLOTA L 1935), County Mayo, for the forthcoming IOTA Contest which takes place July 25-26th. The callsign EJ1DD will be used in a '100 watt DXpedition' entry. QSL information is via EI7CC. Operators will be Paul/EI2CA, Paul/EI5DI, Tony/EI6EW, Peter/EI7CC, Sean/EI7CD, Seamus/EI8BP and Aidan/EI8CE. Look for activity also from the individual operators using the EJ prefix between July 23-27th (QSL via home calls). [F5NQL]

23/07/2009: David, EI3GKB will be active July 23-27th as EJ3GKB from the island of Inisheer [Irish: Inis O?rr] (IOTA EU-006, WLOTA 2314, WW Loc. IO53FB), Aran Islands, Co Galaway, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QRV 80-6 meters, before and after the IOTA contest. QSL direct only to EI3GKB (QRZ.com), with SASE/SAE and sufficient postage. [EI3GKB]

23/07/2009: The Cray Valley Radio Society will once again be active as G3RCV/p on the Isles of Scilly (EU-011) from July 23-28th on all bands, and we will sign M8C during the IOTA contest. There will be no 2 meter activity in the contest this year. QSL via G3RCV. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

23/07/2009: Members of the Barry Amateur Radio Society (BARS) will activate Flatholm Island (EU-124, WLOTA L-0007), Wales, again for five days this year between July 23rd and July 28th. During the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th), they will use the callsign GW8K. They will use the callsign GB5FI for activity before and after the contest. QSL via GW0ANA, direct or bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

23/07/2009: Operators Colin/G3VCQ, Sharon/M3VCQ, Andy/M0GAV, Joanne/2E0JOX and Tim/2E0TJX will be active as MM3M during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) from the isle of Arran (EU-123, IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14). Operations before and after the contest (July 23-27th) possibly using the call GM3VCQ. QSL via G3VCQ direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

23/07/2009: Alfredo/IK7JWX, along with second Op Vincenzo/I7PXV will activate a new reference for the Italian Castles Award (DCI LE-269), July 23rd, using the callsign IY7NGM/p. They plan to activate the Castle of Casamassella-Uggiano La Ch. (DCI reference LE-269) on as many HF bands as propagation permits. QSL via IK7JWX, bureau preferred. [IK7JWX]

23/07/2009: Members of the Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club will operate from the island of Tiree [Gaelic for 'land of corn'] (IOSA NH04, SCOTIA DI10, WLOTA L-2232, WAB NM04), Inner Hebrides (EU-008), during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) using the club's special contest callsign GM2T. Look for pre-contest activity by the members signing as MM0CPS/p. Team members consist of: Cambell/MM0DXC, Bob/GM4UYZ, John/MM0JXI, Brian/M0RNR, Gary/MM0FZV, Moe/MM0MRM, Geoff/MM5AHO, David/MM0XDG, Ellis/GM4GZW, Bob/GM4IKT, Jim/G3VOU, Brian/G4UJE, Jonno/M5FUN, Malcolm/MM0YMG, Duncan/MM0GZZ and Steve/MM3YPN. QSL GM2T and MM0CPS/p via GM4UYZ, direct or bureau. [CPSARC]

23/07/2009: Gabi/DF9TM, Frank/DL2SWW and Ric/DL2VFR will be active from R?m? island (EU-125, NS-001 for the Danish Islands Award) as OZ0FR from July 23-26th, including the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). They will be using high power in CW and SSB into a Yagi-Antenna for 20-10 meters, a SteppIR-vertical (BigIR) for 40-10 meters and Dipoles for 80 and 40 meters. This activity also counts for the Vadehavet National Park (WFF reference OZFF-004, for the World Flora & Fauna Award). QSL via DL2VFR (also via DL Bureau, do not send QSLs via OZ Bureau). More details later on www.iota-expedition.de/ [DL2VFR]

23/07/2009: John, G3LAS will operate SSB and CW as SM5/G3LAS from Fogdo Island (EU-084) between July 23-27th, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

23/07/2009: A Ukrainian and Moldavian team will be active as homecall/p from Tuzla Island (EU-180) between July 23-27th. Activity will be on CW and SSB. Operators mentioned are US0KW, US0ZZ, UT2XQ, UT4ZG, UT7UT, UU0JM, UU1AZ, UU4JDD, UU4JMG, UY6IM, UT/ER1DA, UT/ER3DW, UT/ER3DX and UT/ER3ZZ. QSL via their home callsigns. They will use the Black Sea Contest Club callsign UU7J/P during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via UU0JM. [OPDX Bulletin]

23/07/2009: Operators Ken/W8ND, Butch/N8CHS and Kelly/K8MCN will be active from Big Tancook island (NA-081, CIsA NS012, WW Loc. FN74WL),

Lunenburg county, Nova Scotia, as W8ND/VE1 from July 23-26, including the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via K8MCN, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: Luis, EA1NT will be active July 24-26th as AO1I from the island of Lobeira Grande (EU-077, DIE O-133, WLOTA L 4092), including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. Look for him on all HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Website: www.urlc.net/Lobeira2009.html [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: The Wangjing HAM DX club of Beijing, China, has received approval and will be active from Liaoning East Group (AS-158) from July 24-26th, including the IOTA Contest. Operators mentioned are BG1WUM, BG1TEM, BG1UXS, BG1MFE, BH1BRF, BH1INL and BD1HFP. They will use homecall/2 during their stay. QRV SSB on 40-10 meters. QSL via the operators' home call (QRZ.cn or QRZ.com with an IRC or $1USD for the reply postage). [BD1HFP]

24/07/2009: A group of CT1/CT3 Operators will be QRV as CR3D and CR3R from Chao Islet (DIP MAD-003, DPRN FF104, WLOTA 1366), Desertas Islands (AF-046), Maderia Archipelago, from July 24-26th. They will also be activating the Ilheu Chao lighthouse (DFP MAD-003, ARLHS MAD-001, TWLHD WLH CT3-001, WW Loc. IM12RN). Operators mentioned are Barros/CT3BD, Luis/CT3DL, Duarte/CT3EN, Luis/CT3EE, Jose/CT3MD, Duarte/CT3KY, Joao/CT3NY, Jorge/CT1BOL, Jose/CT1CJJ, Paulo/CT1EFS, Filipe/CT1ILT and Firmino/CT1IZW. Part of the Team will be mainly focused on the IOTA Contest, others will operate mostly WARC + VHF bands, using SSB, CW and Digital modes. They will have two HF stations for the IOTA Contest, one HF station for WARD + 6m and one VHF station for 2m + 4m + 6m. Antennas: HF - Verticals and Dipoles/ 6m + VHF Beams. QSL both calls via CT1BOL. [DX World of Ham Radio]

24/07/2009: The Sevran/F5KKD Radio Club will be active July 24-27th as F5KKD/p from Sein island (EU-068, DIFM AT-007, WLOTA L-2721, Grid IN78), including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators mentioned are David/F4FDA, Mickael/F4FFZ and Bastien/F4EYQ. They plan to be QRV HF + VHF+ UHF bands. QSL via F5KKD, Bureau preferred. [F5NQL]

24/07/2009: Steve, G0UIH will be active holiday style from the Isle of Walney (EU-005, WLOTA L-1871, WAB SD26), Cumbria, as G0UIH/m from July 24-27, IOTA Contest included. QSL via home call, direct or by the bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: David, ON4DN will be active July 24-26th as HB0/ON4DN/p from Liechtenstein. He will operate holiday style on 40-10 meter SSB and digital modes, with a focus on 30m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

24/07/2009: Alfredo, IK7JWX will be signing IC8/IY7NGM from the island of Capri (EU-031, IIA NA-006, MIA MI-015, WW Loc. JN70CM, WAIS EM46). He will also activate Punta Carena lighthouse (WAIL CA-008, ARLHS ITA-124, TWLHD WLH I-031, WLOTA L-2466). QRV HF bands, possibly 6 and 2 meters also. There may be some activity from some DCI castle references. QSL via IK7JWX, direct or by the bureau (NO e-Qsl). [IK7JWX]

24/07/2009: Claudio, IZ0KRC will be active from the island of Sardinia (EU-024, IIA SD-001, MIA MIS-035, WLOTA L-1608, WW Loc. JN40CO), Province of Sassari (nr Manistella) from July 24th to August 3rd. QRV on all HF bands, plus 6 meters. QSL via home call, bureau preferred.

Further information can be found at: iz0krc.jimdo.com/news/ [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: Gabriele LZ/IK3GES, Boyan LZ1BJ/1 and Lyuben LZ1ZC/1 will be active from Sveta Anastasiya Island (IOTA EU-181, WLOTA L-0035) between July 24-27. They plan to use 100 watts into a 10 element log-periodic on 20/17/15/12/10 meters. Some activity on 40/30/6m is also possible. QSLs via QSL Bureau to their home callsigns. [LZ1BJ]

24/07/2009: Operators Gosho/LZ1ZF, Boris/LZ2JR and Rumen/LZ2RS will be active as LZ01WFF from the Sokolski Monastery (Orthodox Name: "Holy Mother's Assumption"; established in 1833), located in the district of Gabrovo, Central Balkan National Park (LZFF-022, WW Loc. KN22QT) from July 24-26th. QRV on all HF bands, CW and SSB, including in the IOTA Contest. All QSOs will be confirmed via the bureau. Direct requests can be made via LZ1ZF (QRZ.com). [LZ1ZF]

24/07/2009: Colin/G3VCQ, Sharon/M3VCQ, Julie/M3UJL, Kevin/G0PXF, James/M3SZT and Nick/2E0ZLT will be active as M3TBC from the isle of Arran (EU-123, IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14), July 24-28th, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via M3VCQ (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: The Strumblehead DX and Contest group have now sealed the final permission to activate Ramsey Island (EU-124), off the West Wales coast, from the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds who own the island. They will be active from 18:00 24th July through to 14:00 27th July taking in the IOTA contest. They will be active using the club call MC0SHL for the whole duration of the operation, and using MW9W in the contest. They will be on all bands from 80M through to 10M SSB. There is also some 30M RTTY planned by G1VDP if the other guys allow him, with participation in the last 80M Club Championships DATA section. They will be operational using generators as power. Radios used will consist of 2 K3's and a Yaesu FT1000MP MkV and amplifiers. Antennas will consist of a Hexbeam, a windom and dipoles. Most of the activation is for the WAB award scheme as the square is semi rare and has not been activated for some time. The team will be on from the farm for a few days before and after using the GB0WFF for the World Flora and Fauna award see www.wff44.com/ for award details, and using the MC0SHL club call and erecting a tower for Rob MW0RLJ. The island will not only count for the WAB award but will also count for the WFF award (reference GWFF-072). A special QSL card printed for both club calls, full details are on the groups website (www.mc0shl.com/). QSL via the groups manager M0URX, direct or by e-Mail request for bureau card. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

24/07/2009: Dennis, M0LSB will be active as MM0LSB/p from Great Bernera (EU-010, IOSA OH12, SCOTIA HI27) from July 24-27th, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: Col, MM0NDX, will be active as GM5A and MM0NDX/P from St. Kilda (EU-059, IOSA OL-01, SCOTIA DI-23), Scotland, between July 24-27th. This will be a family holiday-style operation from the campsite in Village Bay, St. Kilda is one of only two-dozen global locations to be awarded "World Heritage Status" for both natural and cultural significance. Col will participate in the 2009 RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) as GM5A. QSL GM5A via GM4FDM and MM0NDX/P via M0URX. A Web site is now active for this activity at: eu059.wordpress.com/ [OPDX Bulletin]

24/07/2009: Iain, MM0TFU will be active from Blackwaterfoot (Grid IO75IM), isle of Arran (EU-123, IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14) signing MM0TFU/P from July 24th to July 27, RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) included. Outside the contest he will be QRV on all HF bands, plus 6 meters. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: Look for David, MM3RDP to be active as homecall/p from the Isle of Skye (EU-008, IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14, WLOTA L-1626) from July 24-27th, including the RSGB IOTA Contest. He also plans to activate the Neist Point lighthouse (ARLHS SCO-147, BARLS A4064, WW Loc. IO67OK, WAB NG14). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: Members of the North Carolina Contesters Club (NR3X) will be active July 22-27th as N4A from Core Banks (NA-067, USi NC-033S, WLOTA L-0596), Pamlico County, State of North Carolina, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th). Operators include Nate/N4YDU, Keith/W4KAZ, Barry/K4CZ, Dan/N3ND and Jack/W0UCE. They will run 100 watts to wire antennas; QRV on or near the ususal island/IOTA frequencies. QSL direct to N4YDU (QRZ.com). [USi]

24/07/2009: Operators Pasi/OH2IW, Mika/OH2JA, Juha/OH7JT and Kari/OH5TS will be active from the island of Kuorsalo [Kuorsal?] (EU-140), Gulf of Finland, using the special callsign OF200AD (The Treaty of Hamina Anniversary 2009). They will also be participating in the IOTA Contest. QSL direct or bureau to OH5AD. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: Will/PE1OPM, Manfred/PE1OXV and Jeroen/PD5CW will be active, for fun and enjoy the IOTA weekend, from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146), July 24-26th. QRV 80-10 meters, using mainly CW and SSB. QSL via home calls, direct or by the Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: Operators Orlando/PT2OP and Marcelo/PY6KW will be active from Itaparica Island (SA-023, DIB BA-02) as PV6I between July 24-27th. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via PT2OP, direct preferred but bureau OK. [PT7WA]

24/07/2009: Cliff, SV1JG and George, SV1RP will be active as SX8M from the island of Milos (IOTA EU-067, GIOTA SAS-089, MIA MG-072, WLOTA L-4149) from July 24-27th, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via SV1JG, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

24/07/2009: Ed, CO7PH and other Cuban hams plan to be active as T47D from Jardines de la Reina, probably from Cayo Anclitas (NA-201), during the RSGB IOTA Contest. QRV all HF bands/modes from July 24-31st. QSL via CO7PH (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2009: Operators RU3YA, RV3YR, UA3YA, UA3YCX and UA3YY will operate SSB, CW and digital modes as homecall/p from Kotelny Island in river Desna (not IOTA, RII-32-02) from July 24-26th. QSL via home calls. Information on the Russian Internal Islands Award can be found at: robinsons.ru/index/0-6 [425 DX News]

24/07/2009: John, VE8EV will be operating from Sachs Harbour, Banks island (NA-129, CIsA NW007), Northern Territories, from July 24-27th (UTC) including the RSGB IOTA Contest. Activity will be exclusively SSB, mostly on 20m which, aurora permitting, should be open round the clock. He will watch for openings on 15m and 10m as well. QSL via VE8EV, direct (SAE and IRC or 2 greenstamps) or by the Bureau On-line QSL request and log lookup will be available after the operation. Further information can be found at: ve8ev.blogspot.com/search/label/IOTA [VE8EV]

24/07/2009: ZZ6Z will be active from Itaparica island (SA-023, DIB BA-02), Bahia State, July 24-26th including the IOTA Contest. QRV 80 to 10 meters, SSB only. Operators include Nilzo PY6AWV, Hamilton PY6HD and Beto PY6RT. QSL direct or bureau to PY6HD - No e-QSL. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [PT7WA]

25/07/2009: A DXpedition team from The Royal Omani Amateur radio Society will be active from Suwadi Island (AS-112) as A43SI during the IOTA Contest. QSL via A47RS direct only (P.O. Box 981, Muscat 113, Oman). [NG3K]

25/07/2009: EA3NT Chris, EA4TX Pablo, EC2ADN George, EA1DR Oscar Luis, DD1MAT Niko, EA2DCF Kepa and EA4ZK Rick will be active as AM1M during the RSGB IOTA Contest from Mouro island (EU-142, DIE N-016, DME 39075, TPEA S) and lighthouse (FEA D-1554, ARLHS SPA-153, TWLHD WLH EA-016, WLOTA L-2720). All details in QRZ entry. QSL via EA1DR, direct or bureau. [DX World of Ham Radio]

25/07/2009: Operators Federico/EA8DN, Maria/EA8BJJ, Rosa/EC3AJW and Ricardo/EA4YK will be active as AO8Y from the island of La Palma (AF-004, DIE S-012, WLOTA L-1648) during the IOTA Contest. QSL via EA4YK, direct or bureau. Web site: www.madrono.net/ [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Look for Jimmy Lou, BX5AA to be active in the IOTA contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry from Taiwan island (AS-020, WLOTA L-0022). QSL direct (see: QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Look for Ra?l, CO8ZZ to be active from Cuba (NA-015, WLOTA L-0032, WW Loc. FL10MW) during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a CW only entry. QSL direct to DK1WI (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Carlos/CT3CD, Jose/CT3FQ and Ricardo/CT3KN will be active as CR3T from Funchal, island of Madeira (AF-014, DIP MA-001, WLOTA L-0053) during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via CT3KN, direct only or LoTW. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Juan, EA8CAC will be active as EF8R during the IOTA Contest from Gran Canaria Island (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA L-0969) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: EJ0GI will be participating in the IOTA Contest (DXpedition - multi-op, HP section) from Inisheer [Irish: Inis O?rr] (IOTA EU-006, WLOTA L-2314, WW Loc. IO53FB), Aran Islands, Co Galaway. A combined team from South Dublin Radio Club and the City of Belfast Radio Amateur Society will travel to the Aran Islands off the coast of Galway, hoping to build upon the successes of recent years. Some team members may be active under their home calls between July 23-27th. QSL via EI2SDR (information available on QRZ.com). [EI3GKB]

25/07/2009: Operators Harald/ES1LS, Arvo/ES1QV, Juri/ES2EZ, Toivo/ES2DJ and Mati/ES2QN will be active as ES0U from Saaremaa Island (EU-034, WLOTA L-1401), Estonia, during the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via ES2DJ, bureau preferred. [ODPX Bulletin]

25/07/2009: Look for Jan, ON7JA to be active July 25-27th as F/ON7JA from Ile de Noirmoutier (EU-064, DIFM AT-020, WLOTA L-1224), including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. No eQSL! [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: The Rockall 2009 group will participate in the IOTA contest from Ile de Batz (EU-105, DIFM MA-018, WLOTA L-0680), Finistere North.

To recover from the trip to Rockall and to start preparation for a new attempt, the crew and the support team will join the DXpedition class in a Multi-Operator, Low-Power effort. Team members include ON3DX, ON4AHF, ON4ATW, ON4HIL, ON4IA, ON6CC, ON6LEO, ON6NL, ON6ZU and ON7YT. The call used will be F/OT2A and QSL will go via the home call. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/07/2009: Operators Jean-Jacques/ON7EQ, Mich/ON8DM, Claude/ON7TK and Carine/ON7LX will be active as F/0T3T from ?le Grande, Chausey islands (EU-039, DIFM MA-004, WLOTA L-0424) for the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via ON7EQ, direct or by the Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Fran?ois/F5JNE and Gerard/F6ICG will be active July 25th as F5JNE/p from the Castle of Vizaine (DFCF 58-100), in the city of Ouroux en Morvan (CP 58230), in the canton of Montsauches kes Settons (DDCF 58-14 - New one!), Department Nievre/58 and Province Burgundy (DPF 05). QRV 80/40m, CW/SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [F5NQL]

25/07/2009: Stephane, F8CFE plans to be active as homecall/p from the Ile Agot (EU-157, DIFM MA-009) during the IOTA Contest. No entry category was given. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: The SANDS contest group, M0SCG, based in Morecambe, Lancashire, will be active from Sunderland Point, nr Lancaster, England (EU-005, WAB SD45, WLOTA L-1841), using the callsign G1T during the IOTA contest as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via M0SCG by the bureau or e-QSL. Direct requests to G0VGS (QRZ.com). [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

25/07/2009: The Bittern DX Group will once again be active as G2B from the clifftops in the village of Trimingham, Norfolk, East of England region (EU-005, WLOTA L-1841) for the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via M0CNP, direct or Bureau. [Bittern DX Group]

25/07/2009: The Medway Reynet Group and Chris/M0DOL, Morris/M0MAO, and Gary/M0NNH will be active as GB100SS (Sky Sheppey 2009) from Eastchurch on the Isle of Sheppey (EU-005, WLOTA L-1841, WAB TR15, WW Loc. JO01KJ) between July 25th and 27th, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. The special event callsign GB100SS will be used to commemorate 100 years of flying, and the involvement of the Isle of Sheppey and Eastchurch. Further information on the special event and relevant QSL can be found at: www.southgatearc.org/news/july2009/sky_sheppey_2009.htm [M0DOL]

25/07/2009: Stewart, GM4AFF will be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 25-26th) from the isle of Man (EU-116, WLOTA L-0449) as GD0F. Entry category will be Single-Op/All-Band/SSB/24 hour/Island. QSL via M0CMK, direct preferred; Bureau OK. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Members of Kilmarnock & Loudoun ARC, namely Allan/GM3OZB, Barry/GM3YEH, Steve/GM4OSS, John/GM0DJG and Gordon/MM0BIM will be active as GI0ADX in the RSGB IOTA Contest from Rathlin island (EU-122, WLOTA L-0039), Northern Ireland. QSL via MM0DHQ, Bureau preferred. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Sean/EI4GK, Pete/EI4GZB, Declan/EI9HQ, Pete/GI4VIV, Declan/EI9HQ and Joe/EI7GY are going back to Rathlin Island (EU-122, WLOTA L-0039) again for this year's IOTA contest, using the callsign GI0MPG. They will be based in the East Lighthouse (ARLHS NTI-011, BARLS A6062, WAB D15, WW Loc. IO65VH), County Antrim, the same QTH as last year. (Marconi made experimental radio transmissions from this site in 1898). QSL direct or by the bureau. Declan, EI9HQ (QSL homecall direct)

will stay on the island until July 30th and will be activating some WAB squares. [DX Newsletter]

25/07/2009: The Bristol Contest Group (G6YB) will be active as GJ6YB for the RSGB IOTA Contest from the isle of Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA L-0818) as an Island DXpedition entry. The team of operators include Neil/EI3JE, Billy/EI7FJ, Robin/G3TKF, Alan/G3XSV, Colin/G3YHV, Steve/G3ZVW, Pete/G4CLA, Geoff/G4FKA, Dave/G4NKT, Mike/G7TWC, Matt/M0MAT and Andy/M1EBV. QSL via G3SWH, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Operators Tom/MM0BHX, Gordon/MM0GPZ, Phil/GM0LIR, Iain/GM0OQV and John/GM0NBM will be active as GM0B from the isle of Bute (EU-123, IOSA CL02, SCOTIA CS19, WLOTA L-1883), Scotland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via MM0BHX. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/07/2009: Look for Graham/MM0GHM and Arthur/MM0DHQ to be active as GM7A from Kerrera island (EU-008, IOSA FL02, SCOTIA CN02, WLOTA L-2535) during the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via GM7AAJ, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: The Luton VHF Group will be activating Holy Island [aka Ynys Gybi] (EU-124, WLOTA L-3338, WW Loc. IO73QG), Wales, for the IOTA contest using the special contest callsign GW2L. Operators include Don/G4LOO, Andy/G8ATD, Ian/G1JCC, Terry/G4UEM and Bryan/M0BIK. They will be active after the contest until July 30th at the same QTH on a part time basis for those who want the IOTA contact but do not work us during the contest. For this period we will be using the special event callsign GB8HI. QSL via G8ATD, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Han/DS2GOO, Yang/DS4CDA, Ryou/DS4NYE, Rocky/HL1VAU and a few other guest operators will be active July 25-27th as homecall/4 from Pigum Island (AS-060). They will have two complete stations with a dozen of verticals near saltwater, and will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-10 meters; if the band is opend, they will also give 6m a try. QSL direct to home calls. During the IOTA Contest they will use D93I (QSL via DS4NYE, direct QRZ.com). [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: Ray, WQ7R will once again be active from the island of Roatan (NA-057, WLOTA L-1671, WW Loc. EK66TJ) as HQ9R in the IOTA Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. There may be some 6 meter activity. QSL via K5WW, direct preferred but bureau OK. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: The Group of HSDXA - Thailand DX Accossiation members will be active as HS0AC/p from Si Chang Island (AS-107) during the RSGB IOTA Contest. Operators mentioned are Operators HS0GBI, HS1CKC, HS6NDK, E20HHK, E20NTS, HS0ZEU, HS0ZFZ, HS0ZHG, HS0ZHS, HS0ZIN, HS3SAD, HS7ZVC, etc. They will use low power with ground pland and dipole antennas. QSL via HS0ZFZ (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Members of the 'IA5K team' will be active from Elba Island (EU-028, IIA LI-020, MIA MI-022, WLOTA L 0609) during the RSGB IOTA Contest. Operators mentioned are: Max/IZ5BTC, Stefano/IZ5MMN/KI6RVQ, Gabriele/IZ5FDD/KI6RVR and possibly other SWLs. QSL Manager is IZ5BTC. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/07/2009: Alessandro/IW8EHK, Alfredo/IY7NGM, Catello/IZ8LLW and Francesco/IZ8OFJ will be active July 25-26th as IC8/IW8EHK from the island of Capri (EU-031, IIA NA-006, MIA MI-015, WAIS EM46, WW. Loc. JN70CM) for the RSGB IOTA Contest. While there, they plan to activate

the Punta Carena lighthouse (ARLHS ITA-124, WAIL CA-008, TWLHD WLH I-031, WLOTA 2466). Also the following D.C.I. award references: Castle Barbarossa to Anacapri (DCI NA-003); Tower Damecuta of Anacapri (DCI NA-004); Tower Guard of Anacapri (DCI NA-005); Tower Materita of Anacapri (DCI NA-006); and Blockhouse of Orrico to Anacapri (DCI NA-112). QSL via IK7JWX, direct or bureau. [IK7JWX]

25/07/2009: Raffaele, IH9YMC will be active for the IOTA Contest from his home QTH on the island of Pantelleria (AF-018, IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124, WLOTA L-0041) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL direct (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Massimo, I0PNM will participate in the IOTA Contest as IM0/I0PNM from San Pietro Island (EU-165, IIA CI-009, MIA MIS-031, WLOTA L-2989). He will operate SSB on 40-10 meters. In the following weeks, and especially August 15-16th, expect him to operate from the lighthouse at Capo Sandalo (ARHLS SAR 018, WAIL SA-011, TWLHD WLH SAR-018, WAIS FM10) on 40-10 meter SSB and PSK31. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: Operators Rasto/OM3BH Jozef/OM3GI Jozef/OM3NA and Tibor/OM3RM will be active as IS0/OM8A from the island of Sardinia (EU-024, IIA SD-001, MIA MIS-035, WLOTA L-1608) during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power Dxpedition entry. QSL via OM2VL. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Frank, DH0JAE will be active holiday style as LA/homecall from the island of Bomlo [B?mlo] (EU-055), county of Hordaland, Norway. He will be QRV using QRP and may also be participating in the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Operators Dave/G3NKC, Peter/G4MJS, Martin/G4XUM, Lionel/G5LP, Mike/G7VJR and Mark/2E0NCG will be active as MD4K from the isle of Man (EU-116, WLOTA L-0449) during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via G3NKC. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Mat, MJ0ASP will be active from the Isle of Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA L-0818) for the IOTA Contest as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL direct or via the RSGB bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Michael, DL6MHW, will be active as MM/DL6MHW from the isle of Mull (IOSA NH15, SCOTIA CN10, WLOTA L-2485), Inner Hebrides (EU-008), Scotland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via DL6MHW. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/07/2009: Jim, MM0BQI will be active as MM0Q from Tanera Mor (EU-092, IOSA SC10, SCOTIA CN32), Scotland, during the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via the LoTW. QSL are also OK via MM0BQI, by the Bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/07/2009: Doug/GM0ELP and Simon/M0GBK will be active from the isle of Skye (IOSA NH07, SCOTIA CN14, WLOTA L-1626, WW Loc. IO67QN), Inner Hebrides (EU-008), as MM3T during the IOTA Contest. Their category will be Multi-Op/All-Bands/Low-Power/Mixed/Assisted/Expedition/24-hours. Please QSL only via eQSL. Website at: freespace.virgin.net/douglas.maxwell/MM3T/mm3t.htm [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Mark, KO1U will be active from Cousins island (NA-137, USi ME041S, Cumberland county), State of Maine, from 1000z July 25th to 2300z July 26th. He also plans to activate Littlejohn island (NA-137,

USi ME065S, Cumberland county) during the day. Mark will be running 100W with verticals 80-10m, 3 element yagi on 6 meters. QRV on, or near, the IOTA frequencies with focus on the RSGB IOTA Contest, CW/SSB. QSL via home call. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Members of the Long Island DX Society, N1LI will be active during the IOTA Contest from Long Island (NA-137, USi ME-083S), Cumberland County, State of Maine. QSL via K1DG (Doug Grant, PO Box 301, Long Island, ME 04050 USA), SASE appreciated. [USi]

25/07/2009: Stan, N2US will be operating as homecall/p from Assateague Island (NA-139, USi VA-024S), Accomack County, State of Virginia, and lighthouse (ARLHS USA-021, WLOTA L 4206) during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a 12 Hour/Low-Power entry. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [USi]

25/07/2009: Look for Bill, N5LYG to be active during the IOTA Contest from Galveston Island (NA-143, USi TX-001S), Galveston County, State of Texas, as a Mixed-Mode entry. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). Web site at: www.n5lyg.org/ [USi]

25/07/2009: Jukka/OH6LI and Kim/OH6KZP will be active from Geta, Aland island (EU-002, WLOTA L-1373) as OH0V during the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via OH6LI. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Juha, OH6XX and Timo, OH6GLE will be active as OH0Z from Riddarklint hill, Aland Island (EU-002, WLOTA L-1373), for the IOTA contest as an Island/Multi-Op entry. QSL via W0MM, direct or by the bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Harry/PA1H and Nico/PA7PA will be active as OZ/homecalls from Lango island, off Langeland island (EU-172), from July 25th to August 1st, IOTA Contest included. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 160-10 meters, with some activity on the VHF bands. QSL via home calls, direct or Bureau. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: After 14 years of IOTA Contest activations, Fred ON6QR will be on Aro island (EU-172) west Jylland, Denmark. He will operate OZ/ON6QR QRP with dipole antennas. Listen carrefully: his signal will not brake your S-meter! QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [UBA HF News]

25/07/2009: Andy, P29CS (resident on the island) will be active during the IOTA Contest from Lihir island, Lihir Group (OC-069), Papua New Guinea. QSL direct, CBA. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Alan, 5B4AHJ will participate in the IOTA Contest as P3J from his home QTH on Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA L-0051). Expect him to operate SSB and CW on all bands. QSL via 5B4AHJ, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: Willem, PA1WLB will be active for the IOTA Contest as homecall/p from Schouwen-Duiveland (EU-146). QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [F5NQL]

25/07/2009: Operators Frans/PA5CA, Jan/PA0JED, Arend/PA2AWU, Dervin/PD9DX and Marcel/PA9M will be active during the RSGB IOTA Contest from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146), using the callsign PA6Z, as a Multi-Op/Single-Transmitter entry. QSL via PA9M, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Operators Alexandre/PY5BH, Vagner/PY5DC, Fleck/PY5DJ, Fernando/PY5FO and Gon?alves/PY5IN will be active as PR5D during the IOTA Contest from Ilha do Mel (SA-047, DIB PR-01, also count for WLOTA L-1435). QSL via PY5DC. Website: www.alcad.com.br/radio [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Eric, SM1TDE will participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest as SA1A from his home QTH on Gotland island (EU-020, WLOTA L-2969). Expect him to operate CW only on all bands. QSL via SM1TDE, bureau preferred. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: Kent/SM5ELV and Leif/SM5FWW will be active as homecall/5 for the RSGB IOTA Contest from Aspoja island (EU-177). Non-contest activities will include PSK and 6 metres. QSL via home calls, bureau preferred. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Mek/SP7VC and Adam/DJ0IF will participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest as SP7VC/1 and SP8RX/1 from Wolin Island (IOTA EU-132, SPIA SZ-002, WLOTA L-4120). QSl via home calls. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: Tom, OK2PTZ will be active as SV5/OK6Y from the island of Kos (EU-001, GIOTA DKS-043, MIA MGD-016, WLOTA L-1730) during the IOTA Contest as a Mix/Low-Power entry. QSL via OK2PTZ, direct or by the bureau. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Edor, CO7PH and a group of operators from the Ceballos Radio Club plan to participate in the IOTA Contest from Cayo Coco (NA-086) as either T47C (requested callsign) or CO7PH/p. A late December expedition to Cayo Anclitas, Jardines de la Reina Archipelago (NA-201) is also being planned. QSL via CO7PH. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: Brani, OM2FY will be QRV as TK/OM2FY from Corsica (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA L-1390) for the IOTA Contest as a IOTA DXpedition/Single-Op Unassisted/CW/24hr/Low-Power enty. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Members of the DXCiting Team will be active from the island of Corsica (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA L-1390) as TK9X between July 25th and August 1st. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and FM. Operators mentioned are: YL Silvia/EA1AP, Alberto/EA1SA, John/EA3GHZ, Raul/EA5KA, Paco/EA5RU and Alicia/EA5EWM. QSL via EA4URE, direct or by the Bureau. Web page at: www.dxciting.com/tk9 [ODPX Bulletin]

25/07/2009: The F6KOP team will enter the IOTA Contest 2009, from Noirmoutier island (EU-064, DIFM AT-020, WLOTA L-1224) as a IOTA FIX MS MIX 24H LP entry. Operators mentioned are Bernard/F9IE, Serge/F6AML, Jean-Paul/F8BJI, Flo/F6CWU, Pascal/F5JSD and Maurice/F5NQL. Bruno/F5AGB's and John/F5VHQ's participation is pending. In the 2009 edition, F6KOP will defend its World IOTA Champion 1st place for the 3rd time. QSL via F5CWU, direct or via the French REF-Union Bureau. [F5NQL]

25/07/2009: Ed, GW3SQX will be active July 25-27th using the special call TM7O from the island of Oleron (EU-032, DIFM AT-025, WLOTA L-1369), including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QRV all HF bands, mostly CW. QSL direct to GW3SQX. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: Frank, VE7DP and Heinz, VA7AQ will take part in the IOTA Contest from Taxeda Island (NA-091, CIsA New One!). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: Cezar, VE3LYC plans to operate as VY0O from the Ottawa Islands (NA-230, new one) for three full days between July 25th and 10 August 10th. Specific island's name and exact dates are not available at this time, but they will be announced a few days in advance of the operation. This will be Cezar's most difficult operation to date. The islands are 12-14 hours away from shore and transportation requires a large boat. Traditionally unstable weather pattern, unknown local landing conditions, high seas, the presence of ice chunks in Hudson Bay, potential presence of polar bears, all these and other logistical aspects make this trip extremely challenging. At this time Cezar seeks group and individual donors who understand and appreciate the difficult and expensive task ahead and are willing to be part of this effort. "Past support from EU stations has been disproportionate with their QSO demand (45% of QSOs but only 25% support for VY0A)", he says, but hopefully this situation will improve. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: Mike, W2IY, will be active as W2IY/1 from Mt. Desert island (NA-055, USi ME-021S WLOTA L-3777, Hancock county), State of Maine, during the IOTA Contest. QSL via W2IY, by the Bureau or eQSL. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/07/2009: Steve/W3RFA and Bob/KB3NYX will be active for the RSGB IOTA Contest from Smith island (NA-140, USi MD-003S), Somerset county, Maryland, using the callsign W3RFA. This is a micro-dxpedition. They are getting to the island by sea kayak. All gear will weigh less than 100 lbs ea. 100 Watts with a wire antenna. QSL via home call. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2009: QCWA Chapter 119 will do a combination Special Event Station (History of Tangier Island, VA) and RSGB IOTA Contest effort as W4T from Tangier island (NA-083, USi VA-001S, WLOTA L-3049, Accomack county), Virginia, in Chesapeake Bay, USA. Operators mentioned are Vic/W4VIC, Ron/W8RJL, Barry/K5VIP, Clyde/K4CQW, Butch/KE4AZL, Talley/W4TVG, Stu/K4MIL and Terry/KI4RXC. QSL via K5VIP. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [NG3K]

25/07/2009: Arif, YC9MDX from Kupang, Timor Island (OC-148, WLOTA L-0019), has reported that he will on the air during the RSGB IOTA Contest. TX-RX: YAESU FT 80C; ANT: - 3 ELMT YAGI 2 BAND 10M, 15M. AND 3 ELMT YAGI 40M NOT FULL SIZE (loading coil use). Listen for Arif on 40, 15 and 10m - SSB only. QSL via EB7DX, direct only (QRZ.com). [Southgate ARC]

25/07/2009: Ozer, TA2RC will be active as YM0T during the IOTA Contest from Kefken island (AS-159, WLOTA L-0691) as a Single-Op/Unassisted/24hr/Low-Power entry. QSL via TA2RC, direct or Bureau. [NG3K]

26/07/2009: Special event station 8J120TDC/2 will be aired July 26-28th, including the RSGB IOTA Contest from Mikomoto island (AS-117, WLOTA L-2126) to celebrate the 120th anniversary of the Tokyo Dental College. QRV mostly on SSB and CW with an emphasis on 10/15/17/20/40 meters. Mikomoto island lighthouse was selected with IALA to 100 selections of lighthouses particularly important historically of various countries in the world. QSL via the Bureau or QRZ.com. [F5NQL]

26/07/2009: Maurizio/IK2MLR, Paolo/IK2MLS and Giuseppe/IZ2KPI will be active July 26th (0900-1900z) from the island of Tinetto (EU-083, IIA SP-003, MIA MI-113) on all HF bands. QSL via IK2MLR, direct or by the bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

26/07/2009: Emiliano, IS0BRQ/p says he will be active from Ferraglione Island (EU-024, IIA CA-033, MIA MIS-069) for part of the IOTA Contest. He plans to operate QRP starting early in the morning of July 26th. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [425 DX News]

26/07/2009: Marq, CT1BWW and CT0783 will be active from Aland islands (EU-002) as OH0/CT1BWW between July 26th and August 7th. On August 1st they plan to activate Market Reef (EU-053, WLOTA L-0542) as OJ0/CT1BWW. QRV 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [NG3K]

26/07/2009: The Amateur Radio Club UBA-LGE Li?ge, ON5VL will be active on the HF bands July 26th (0700-1100z) as ON5VL/p from the Castle of Neuville (BCA reference LG-081, for the Belgium Castles Award), located in the commune of Neuville-sous-Huy. QSL ON5VL via the bureau, eQSL and LoTW. QSL direct only to ON5PO for a faster return. [UBA HF News]

26/07/2009: Per, LA5OPA will be operating from Ambergris Cay (NA-073), Belize, as V31NP from July 26th to August 12th. Mostly QRV on 20m SSB and PSK31. Per will also operate on other bands, when open to Europe using 100 watts with the Buddipole antenna system. QSL via LA5OPA Bureau or direct. [DX World of Ham Radio]

26/07/2009: The Adventure Radio Group of the Michiana Amateur Radio Club will activate Leeper Island (USi IN009), St. Joseph County, State of Indianna, using the callsign WA9S/QRP on July 26th (1700z-2100z). Multiple stations will be operating from participating in the Adventure Radio Society's annual "Flight of the Bumblebees." All stations will be operating at QRP levels on or near the standard QRP frequencies (7.030, 7.040, 14.060, etc.). QSL via Barry, WD4MSM (good in QRZ.com). [USi]

27/07/2009: Maurizio, IW4BLZ will be active as OY/IW4BLZ from the Faroe islands (EU-018) from July 27-29th. QRV 80-6 meters using ICOM IC706 MK2-G 100W and vertical antenna. QSL via home call, direct ($2/SAE) or Bureau. [425 DX News]

28/07/2009: Look for Giacomo "Jack", IZ3DBA to be active July 28th to August 1st as IM0/IZ3DBA from the island of Maddalena (EU-041, IIA OT-008, MIA MIS-013). QRV all HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2009: Pista/HA5AO (7P8AO), Frosty/K5LBU (7P8CF), Laurent/W0MM (7P8MM), John/9M6XRO (7P8OK) and Ben/DJ0YI (7P8YI) will be active from Lesotho from July 29th to August 13th. They will have two stations QRV all the time, and a third station might be on for PSK and RTTY. Activity will be on all bands, with a serious effort on 160 and 80 meters. QSL 7P8OK via M0URX, others via home calls. The web page for the expedition can be found on the Texas DX Society's site (www.tdxs.net/). [425 DX News]

29/07/2009: Juri, ES5GP will be active as ES5GP/8 from Kihnu island (EU-178, WLOTA L-0775), Gulf of Riga, P?rnu County, Estonia, from July 29th to August 9th. He will operate SSB and PSK on all bands. QSL direct to home call (QRZ.com). [425 DX News]

29/07/2009: Dave, W9CGI will be active from Grand Cayman island (NA-016, WLOTA L-1042) between July 29th and August 10th. QRV mainly 12m/17m PSK31 and SSB, using under 50W to vertical. QSL via home call, eQSL preferred; direct w/SASE or via the Bureau. Sorry no LoTW. [rsgbiota.org]

31/07/2009: David GI4FUM is organising a DXpedition to Swaziland as the result of a request for an amateur radio station at an International scout camp which will run from July 31st until August 11th. The scout camp is near to Manzini. It would be their intention to stay at and operate from Hawane Resort and in addition provide operators for the scout camp on a daily basis. The camp site will use the callsign 3DA0SS but each team member will have their own 3DA0 callsign. The camp site is about an hour's drive away. Team members are David/GI4FUM, Tony/G4LDL, Gerry/M0MVV, Michael/NC4MM and Yuri/UT5EL. During the stay at Hawane there is another DXpedition to Lesotho and team members from that DXpedition might join them. John, 9M6XRO will be transferring to Hawane during the 2nd week of their stay. Further information to follow ... stay tuned! [GI4FUM]

31/07/2009: Merle/N6PYN and Brad/KA5CDJ plan to activate the Seal Islands (NA-239, new one) as N6PYN/KL7. They hope to be QRV 24/7 in late July (possibly early August) for at least two days. Their exact start date is not known, but will not be earlier than July 29th. QSL manager will be N7RO. They plan to operate SSB and CW on 20, 30 and 40 meters with 100 watts and a vertical dipole. [N6PYN]

31/07/2009: ZW6LH (PT2OP) and PR6S (PY6KW) will be active from several lighthouses in the state of Bahia July 31st to August 3rd, including participation in the ARLHS Lighthouse-Lightship Week (LLW). Both stations are valid for ARLHS, DFB (Brazilian Lighthhouses Awards) and the South American Lighthouses Award. QSL via homecalls. [PT7WA]

31/07/2009: Operators from DRAA (Dodecanese Radio Amateur Association) will activate Symi island (GIOTA DKS-032, IOTA EU-001, MIA MGD-030) between July 31st and August 3rd. Look for activity on all bands/modes. QSL direct only to SV5FRI (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

31/07/2009: Maurizio, IW4BLZ will be active as TF/IW4BLZ from Iceland (EU-021, WLOTA L-2975) from July 31st to August 11th. QRV 80-6m using ICOM IC706 MK2-G 100W and vertical antenna. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [425 DX News]

31/07/2009: Mike, K9AJ and Bruce, KD6WW plan to be active from Thomson island (NA-185, CIsA New One!), offshore Rankin Inlet, Nunavut, as homecall/VY0. QRV from local evening, Friday July 31 through to local morning, Monday August 3. Two stations, CW and SSB, on or near the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL to home calls. [DX World of Ham Radio]

Be sure to check Bill's (NG3K) website for updated RSGB IOTA Contest activity at: ng3k.com/Misc/iota2009.html .. Good luck to all participants & have fun!!!

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LOOKING AHEAD -

01/08/2009: Look for Jim, AD5ZA/4 to be active August 1st from Santa Rosa island [aka Okaloosa] (NA-142, USi FL-003S), Florida. QRV 20 and 15 meter BPSK31; activation for PODXS 070 Club. QSL via home call, direct only. [rsgbiota.org]

01/08/2009: Members of the Portuguese Navy Hamradio Club - NRA (Nucleo de Radioamadores da Armada - NRA), namely Pedro/CU3DI, Alberto/CU3CY, Francisco/CU3AU, Paulo/CU3CC and David/CU3HQ will be active August 1st as CR2NRA from the Lajes lighthouse (ARLHS AZO-010, TWLHD WLH CU-004, WW Loc. HM68LS), Ilha Terceira (EU-175, DIP AZ-003, WLOTA L-0524). QRV 80-10 meters, using SSB and CW, between 0800 - 1900 UTC. QSL via CS5NRA

(QRZ.com). [CT1BWW]

01/08/2009: The 10-70 Repeater Association (N2SE), will be active August 1st for 'Lighthouses on the Air' from the Stony Point lighthouse (ARLHS USA-923, USCG 37895, WW Loc. FN31AF), Hudson River, Rockland County, New York. QRV all HF bands, with three stations. QSL via N2OPJ, direct preferred (QRZ.com). [N2SE]

01/08/2009: Brian, KB9BVN will be active August 1st as W9I to activate Ernie Pyle island (Not IOTA, USi IN-008, WW Loc. EM69NK, Owen County), Cagle's Mill Lake, Indiana, and also to dedicate a memorial commemorating the 109th anniversary of the birth of Hoosier Hero Ernie Pyle. QSL KB9BVN 47 Grassy Dr., New Whiteland, IN 46184-1801 U.S.A. [USi]

07/08/2009: The Air Mobile Radio Operator Society, ND3E will activate Reedy island (Not IOTA, USi DE-001, New Castle county), Delaware, plus Old Reedy Island lighthouse (ARLHS USA-568). QRV from 1700z August 7th to 1900z August 8th on 80, 40, 20 meters using CW, SSB and PSK31. DX can QSL via the Bureau. Others QSL direct to AE3J with SASE. [ARLHS]

14/08/2009: Terry, G4MKP will be active from Tsada village (near Pafos) on the island of Cyprus (AS-004, MIA MCI-002, WLOTA L-0051) from August 14-25th using the callsign 5B/G4MKP. QRV 80-10 meters, mainly CW. QSL via M0URX, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

14/08/2009: Steve, G0UIH will be active from Piel Island (EU-005, CU-005 for English Islands) as homecall/p from August 14-16th. This Island is the "Jewel in the Crown" of the Islands of Furness. The Island has a history going back to the 11th Century. Expect activity on all HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

15/08/2009: Martin, F4UKP will be active as homecall/p from the island of Re (EU-032, DIFM AT-022, WLOTA L-1407) from August 15-22nd. QRV all HF bands, CW and SSB, using K2 and 20m triple leg vertical. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

15/08/2009: Dave, G4IAR along with Judith, G4IAQ will be activating Hodbarrow Sea Wall lighthouse (ILLW UK0090, Admiralty A4819, ARLHS ENG-200, WAB SD17), Cumbria, England (EU-005, WLOTA L-1841), during the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW) (August 15-16th). They also hope to activate Hodbarrow Sea Wall [Old] (ILLW UK0091, Admiralty A4819Y, WAB SD17) while there, but that will have to be as G4LAB (the Leicestershire WAB Group club call). QSL via G4IAR, direct or bureau. [G4IAR]

12/10/2009: Andrew, G7COD will be active once again from Embudu Village, Embudu Island, Republic of Maldives (AS-013, WLOTA L-3911) from October 12-25th. QRV on 80 to 12 meters including WARC bands using SSB and CW. Schedule: Every day at 07:30 to 08:30, 09:00 to 10:30, 13:00 to 1500 and 17:30 to 18:00 UTC. Frequencies: SSB - 3.795, 7.063, 14.147, 18.133, 21.253 and 24.953 MHz; CW - 3.5003, 7.003, 10.103, 14.003, 18.073, 21.003 and 24.893 MHz. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Full information can be found at QRZ.com under 8Q7AK. [G7COD]

23/11/2009: George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY have a plan to operate from the Chesterfield Islands (OC-176), using the callsign TX3A, with focus on the low bands, from November 23rd to December 6th. The TX3A license is valid for 14 days with dates above. Because this date could change (due

to weather and other things) they can only work as FK/AA7JV or FK/HA7RY before and after this period. Further information can be found on their website at: www.TX3A.com/ [HA0HW]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

23/07/2009: UBA section members RSX are QRV as ON65L until December 31st in order to celebrate the 65th anniversary of the liberation of the city of Ronse on September 3rd 1944 by the English regiment 'Inns Court'. They will be active on all bands in SSB and CW. QSL via the bureau. [UBA HF News]

24/07/2009: The Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club (CERAC) will be active as TP60CE to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Council of Europe, as well as be an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. Look for them between July 24-26th. QSL via F5LGF, direct or by the bureau. Online log search will be available at: ewwa.free.fr/ [F6FQK]

24/07/2009: For the 1250th anniversary of the San Miguel de Pedroso, Belorado, Burgos, monastery, Hams from Castilla and other parts of Spain will meet together on the bands with the whole world. Between July 24th and August 7th, look for the special callsign EG1SMP, put on the air under responsibility of the UREBU (URE section of Burgos). The main activity will happen on July 25th and 26th in San Miguel de Pedroso, by a big ham gathering. References: los Restos del Antiguo Monasterio de San Miguel (MVBU-1259) (DME-09048). QSL manager: Jose Mar?a Garc?a (EA2BT) via bureau. [F5NQL]

24/07/2009: Special event station GB4ATC will be aired July 24-26th for the Worstead Festival Norfolk, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841). QRV 80m SSB. QSL via G4PSH RSGB/Services or direct with SAE. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

25/07/2009: Old Railway stations award - The Radio Club San Justo, LU7FJ will be active July 25-26th as LU7FJ/F from the Videla railway station (Reference DEF022F). Operators include LU3FLV, LU5FF and LU7FEC. QRV mainly 80 meters (but other bands are possible), using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via LU7FNI. Website: www.lu7fj.org/ [F5NQL]

25/07/2009: Celebrating the opening of the Gran Telescopio Canarias, the largest optical telescope in the world (www.gtc.iac.es/en/), special event callsign AO8GTC will be used from the observatory at Roque de los Muchachos on La Palma (DIE S-012, WLOTA L-1648), Canary Islands (AF-004) on July 25-26th. Expect activity on CW, SSB and digital modes by four stations. QSL via EA8RCP, direct or bureau - No eQSL. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: Celebrating his Silver Jubilee with amateur radio, Adriaan, PE2KP (previous callsign PE1KHP, www.pe2kp.nl/) will be active again as PE25KP from July 25th to August 16th. QSL via bureau to PE2KP. [425 DX News]

25/07/2009: The Bushvalley Amateur Radio Club will put GB0MAR on the air on July 25th from the village of Dervock in County Antrim, Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA L-1439). The event is the village Fun Day, the highlight of which is a half marathon run around the surrounding country roads of the village. A special QSL card will be issued via the bureau. [GB2RS]

25/07/2009: Commemorating Louis Bleriot's historic flight, the Dover Amateur Radio Club (www.darc.org.uk/) will operate special event station GB100LB on July 25-26th. QSL via G3YMD. [425 DX News]

26/07/2009: Look for special event station EG5LB to be active during the follwing dates: July 26th, August 2-9th, August 16th, August 23rd, August 29th and September 6-7th. Activity is to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of the illustrious Louis Braille, inventor of the tifloescritura system for the blind, and with the 30th anniversary of ARMIC, Association for Visually Handicapped Radio of Catalonia. QSL via EA3RKR, direct or by the Bureau. For more details, see QRZ.com or visit: www.gratisweb.com/ea3rkr/esp/index2.html [OPDX Bulletin]

U.S.A. Special event station information can be found at:
www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html

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QSL INFORMATION -

ZB2EO QSL ROUTE:
John, ZB2EO reports that Vasiliy, RW6HS is NOT and has never been my QSL manager, and that all QSLs for ZB2EO & ZG2EO, should be sent DIRECT to address as per QRZ.com.

QSLs received Bureau - None to report ! :o(

QSLs received Direct - 3B9/SP2JMB (via SP2JMB), 4L8A (via DJ1CW), 4S7NE (via QRZ.com), 4T6I (via DL2JRM), AI5P/6Y5 (via AI5P), AM8IL (via EC8AMI), EI6S (via QRZ.com), GM3MOU (via QRZ.com), HB0/DJ1AIB (via DJ1AIB), JD1BLY (via JI5RPT), JT1AGO (via JA7AGO), JT1ZP (via JA7ZP), KH7Y (via QRZ.com), MJ/DJ7ZG (via DL7AFS), MJ/DL7AFS (via DL7AFS), TS7C (via F4EGD), VE3DZ/VP9 (via VE3DZ), VY0A [NA-186] (via VE3LYC), YS1G (via G3TXF) and ZW8BBC [SA-072] (via PS8DX).

QSLs received LoTW - A7/M0FGA, OH0Z, PV8AA, RA3UT, VK7WI, W1AW/KL7 and YL4HQ.

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SILENT KEYS -

Walter L. Cronkite Jr., KB2GSD - the legendary US TV news anchor Walter Cronkite, known as America's most trusted man passed away the afternoon of July 17, 2009, after a long illness. He was 92.

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BITS & PIECES -

KP1 - NAVASSA -
Navassa: a permit has been issued to the group that did Desecheo recently. An operation will take place next year. Info from Dave K4SSU, one of the ops. [G4IFB]

VC1W **DATE CORRECTION**
VE1VOX, VE1AOE, and VE1MPM will be active from Welsh Island IOTA NA-154 (new CISA) August 12-16, 2009 with the call VC1W. Operation will be from two stations and more ops may be joining the expedition as the date approaches. This is a remote island and weather may affect the actual dates. QSL manager is VE3EXY. [VE1VOX]

Midway Island 2009

Press Release Number 5 July 22, 2009

The K4M team has passed a very important milestone with the shipment this week of 2 tons of radios, linears, antennas (20 of them), radios (6), computers and interfaces, thousands of feet of coax and stubs, and various connectors, switches, wattmeters, and all the supplies you would expect from an operation on a remote Island. Below is a picture of a portion of the freight:

The gear will be stored in Hawaii until the supply ship leaves in 3 weeks to Midway.

Our charter flight to the Island is confirmed. The team is assembled. Fundraising continues on our website, www.midway2009.com . If you haven't visited it in a while stop by and help support our effort. All pre expedition contributors who are on LOTW will receive their confirmations within a week of the end of the DXPedition.

This month we are highlighting three more team members. You can read all their history at http://www.midway2009.com/meettheops4.html

Tom N4XP & Dave WB4JTT - Co Leaders for Midway Island 2009

CS28MCF full log and more pictures are avaiable now on
http://algarvedx.com
CR2F speciall call from Faial Island, Azores is on air now Algarve STAR DX Team member HB9CRV is on the dx'pedition crew.
[Algarve STAR DX Team]

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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
Home of ICPO: http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/
DX Calendar - Contest Calendar - Lighthouse Activity & much more
Join ICPO e-Group: http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/icpo

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All Croatian Islands Award - ACIA
All Croatian Islands Award Group - ACIAG
The World Lighthouse Diplom - TWLHD/TWLHF

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